IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: USE OF CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITORS FOR TREATING

VASCULAR DEPRESSION

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

APPEAL BRIEF PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The period for filing a Brief on Appeal has a shortened statutory time set to expire on September 22, 2009. A five-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$2350 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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